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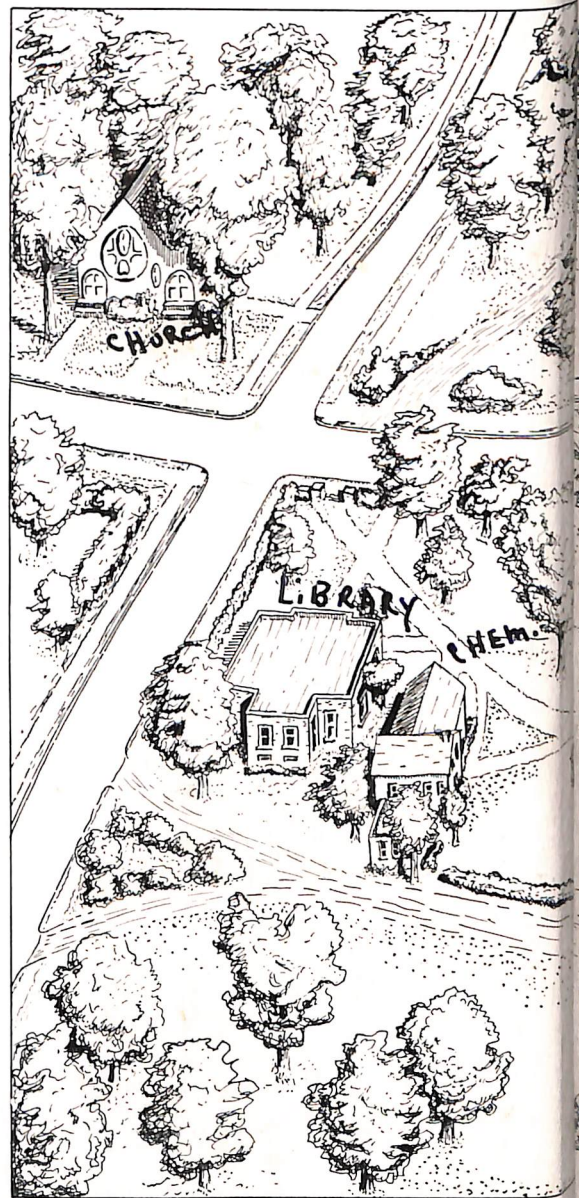
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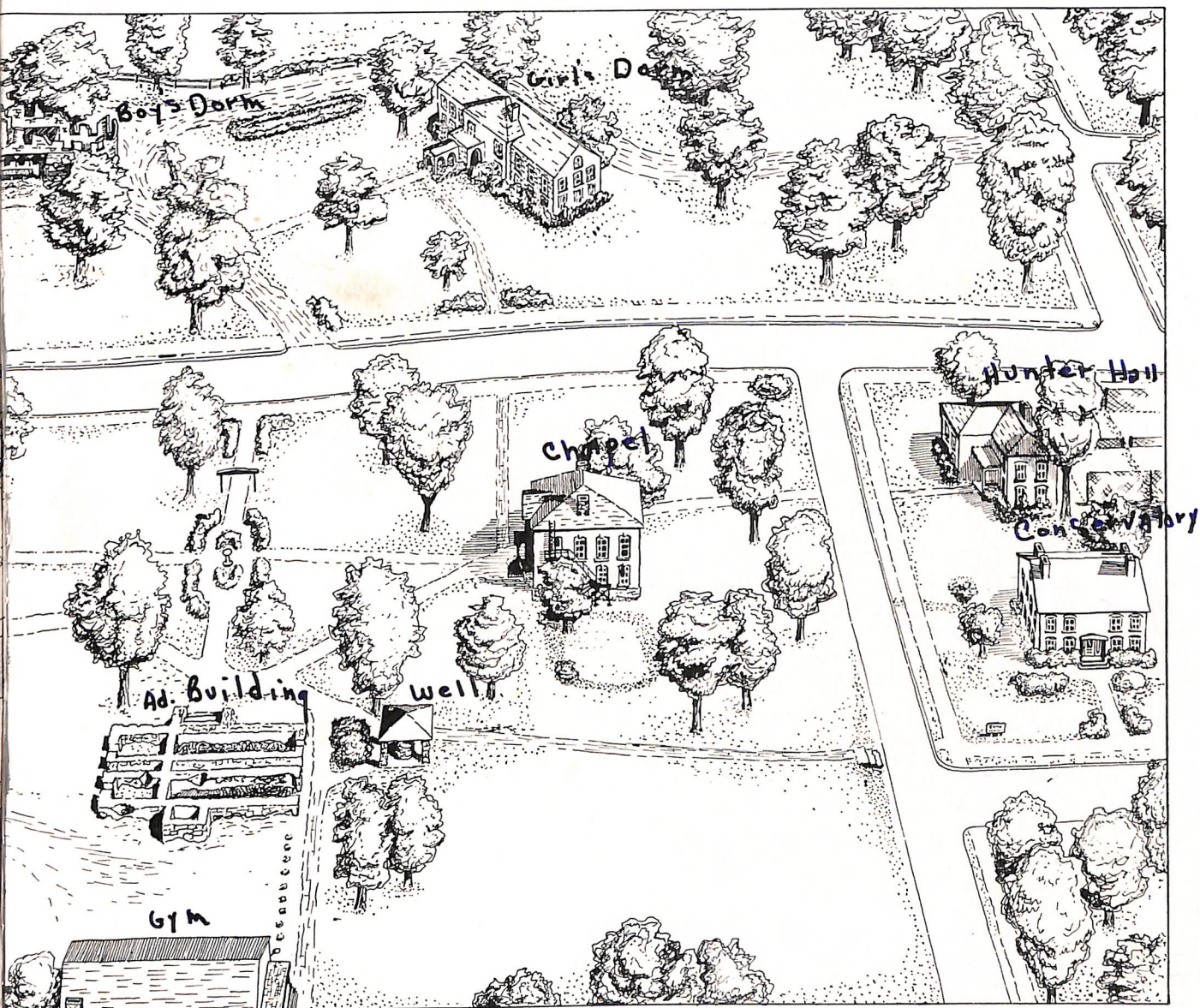
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# S P E C T

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# FOREWORD

Time has once more marked off with steady, certain steps the months of another school year. It has been a year crowded with activities of a varied nature. The annual staff has endeavored to catch and hold these activities so that, when the pages of this book are turned, the gay experiences of 1939-1940 may march forth again in retrospect.



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**Dr. Guy H. Wimmer**

President of Shurtleff



# DEDICATION

To one whom we have found as gentle in manner as he is strong in purpose; as wise in counsel as he is tolerant in judgment; and as sincere in enthusiasm as he is whole-hearted in friendship: to one whom we have learned to love and to respect as our president during this one year in which he has led us: to Dr. Guy H. Wimmer, we, the Staff of 1940, dedicate our Retrospect.



# Fall

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FALL



# Registration...

September 11, registration day, was balmy and breezy, an ideal sort of day, a day that made everyone talkative and jovial.

Pouring into the Conservatory to register, old students discussed what they had done during the summer with anyone who would listen, discussed the possibility of new faculty members, discussed what courses they planned to register for, and who had returned to school and who had not. Freshmen came, too, coated with a little outward bravado and a lot of inward uneasiness, as they wondered just what college life would be.

Then came the dark dawn after a lovely day . . . entrance examinations! Although they dampened somewhat the thrill of begin-

ning another school year, this was only temporary. Freshman Week would revive any lagging of school spirit.

Strict orders were issued to the "green-horns" as to campus conduct . . . no walking on the gravel paths, no loitering at the Well, no tete-a-tetes in Carpe Diem! Girls must wear green stockings, pig-tail coiffures, and carry market baskets for a week. Boys must wear green caps, green ties, and keep their trouser legs rolled well above the ankle. They must "button" on request.

Most of the freshmen were already submissive and before long the more arrogant ones were made so by a special "board" of reckoning.





# Faculty



**W. S. Plymale**

Dean of Men  
Professor of Mathematics

**Mary Kemper**

Dean of Women  
Instructor in French

**Dr. William H. Coleman**

Dean of the College

**Ethel Ringering**

Registrar

**E. T. Martin**

Business Manager

"What a distinguished-looking faculty Shurtleff College has!" "And how friendly they seem!" Such were the thoughts common to both old and new students as they set about the monotony of registering for another year of school. And these thoughts were to grow to even greater proportions as the year wore on. Wherever the students found them . . . as advisers to campus clubs and organizations, at their desks in the classrooms, in private conferences over personal problems, or at the various social affairs of the year . . . the Shurtleff faculty proved always the same: interested, competent, congenial.

And so the student body unites to say, "Hats off to our professors! We like you and we are proud of you."



# Faculty



**Frederic Fadner**

Professor of English Literature



**Theodore Krohne**

Assistant Professor of English



**Helen Hilton**

Librarian



**Katherine Glathart**

Instructor in Speech Arts



**Wade Dewood David**

Professor of Political Science  
and History



**Adolph Schock**

Professor of Philosophy and Religion  
Assistant Professor of History



**O. Irving Jacobsen**

Professor of Education  
and Psychology



**Claire V. Whiting**

Professor of Modern Languages



**Justin L. Glathart**

Professor of Physics



**Elmer E. List**

Professor of Biology and Geology



**Ralph E. Guerrant**

Professor of Chemistry



**Beatrice Davies**

Director of Physical Education  
for Women

# Faculty

**C. V. Money**

Director of Physical Education  
for Men

**F. L. Turner**

Director of Commerce Department

**Margaret Henderson**

Instructor of Secretarial Science

**Roberta Rawson**

Assistant Instructor of  
Secretarial Science

**Carl F. Jessen**

Director of Conservatory of Music

**James McKelvy**

Professor of Voice

**Charles J. Meek**

Director of Instrumental Music

**Margaret Kohlhepp**

Secretary to the President

**Thelma Kennedy**

Secretary to the Business Manager

**Phyllis Willeford**

Assistant Secretary  
to the Business Manager



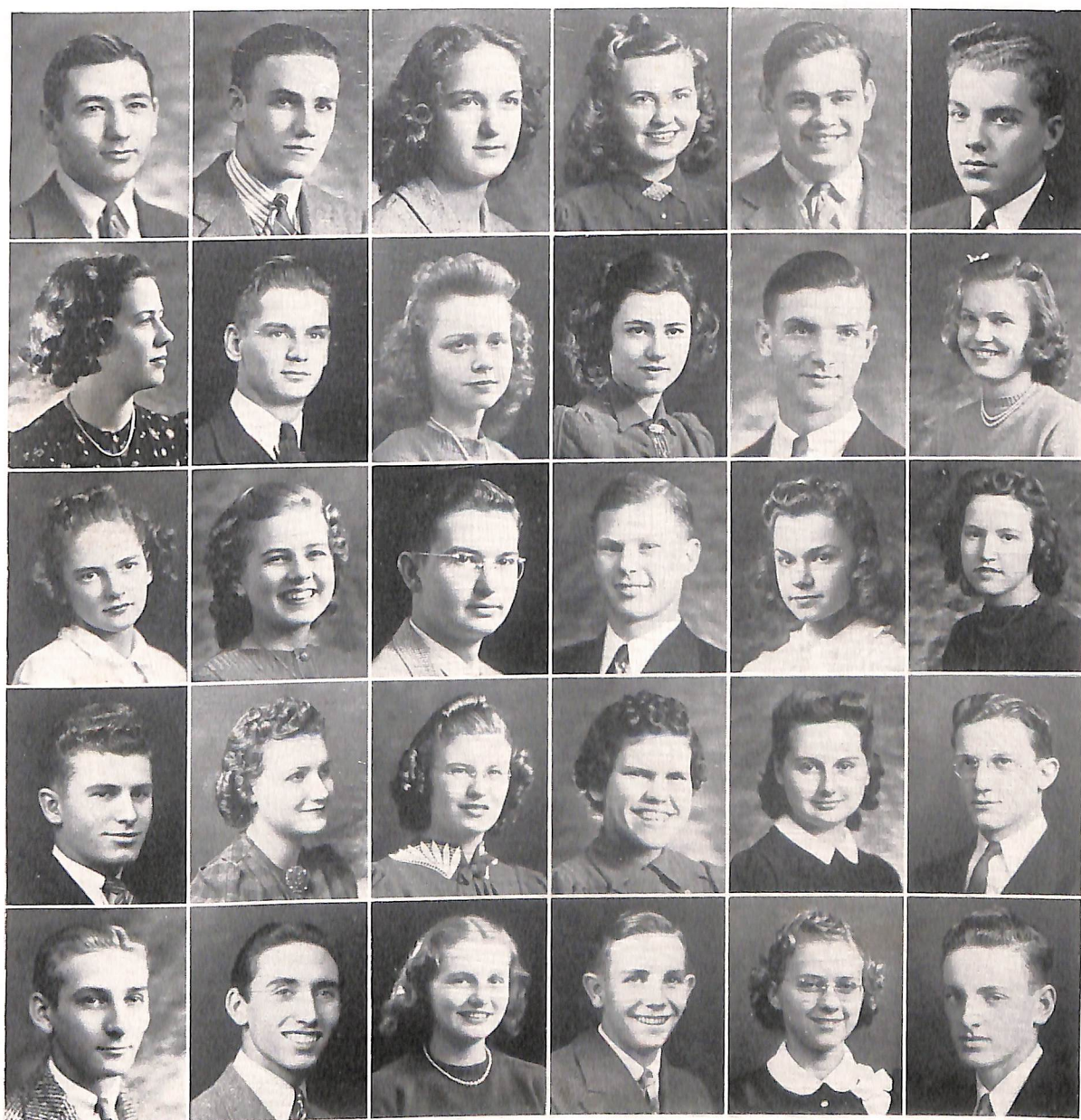




The Freshman Class this year has proved to be one of the most cooperative, active, and spirited groups the college has known in quite some time. Throughout Freshman Reckoning Week they were not so meek to their superiors as to be uninteresting, and yet by Friday night when court was held they had been made to realize their subordinate position in the presence of upper-classmen. They took an active part in our sports program—the girls filled the ranks of the basketball, hockey, and swimming squads; and the boys participated in football, basketball, and track. During the year they were hosts at several clever parties for the entire student body; and, fortunately, their scholastic record has not suffered too much from all this activity. May their splendid cooperation and loyalty continue during their remaining years on this campus!

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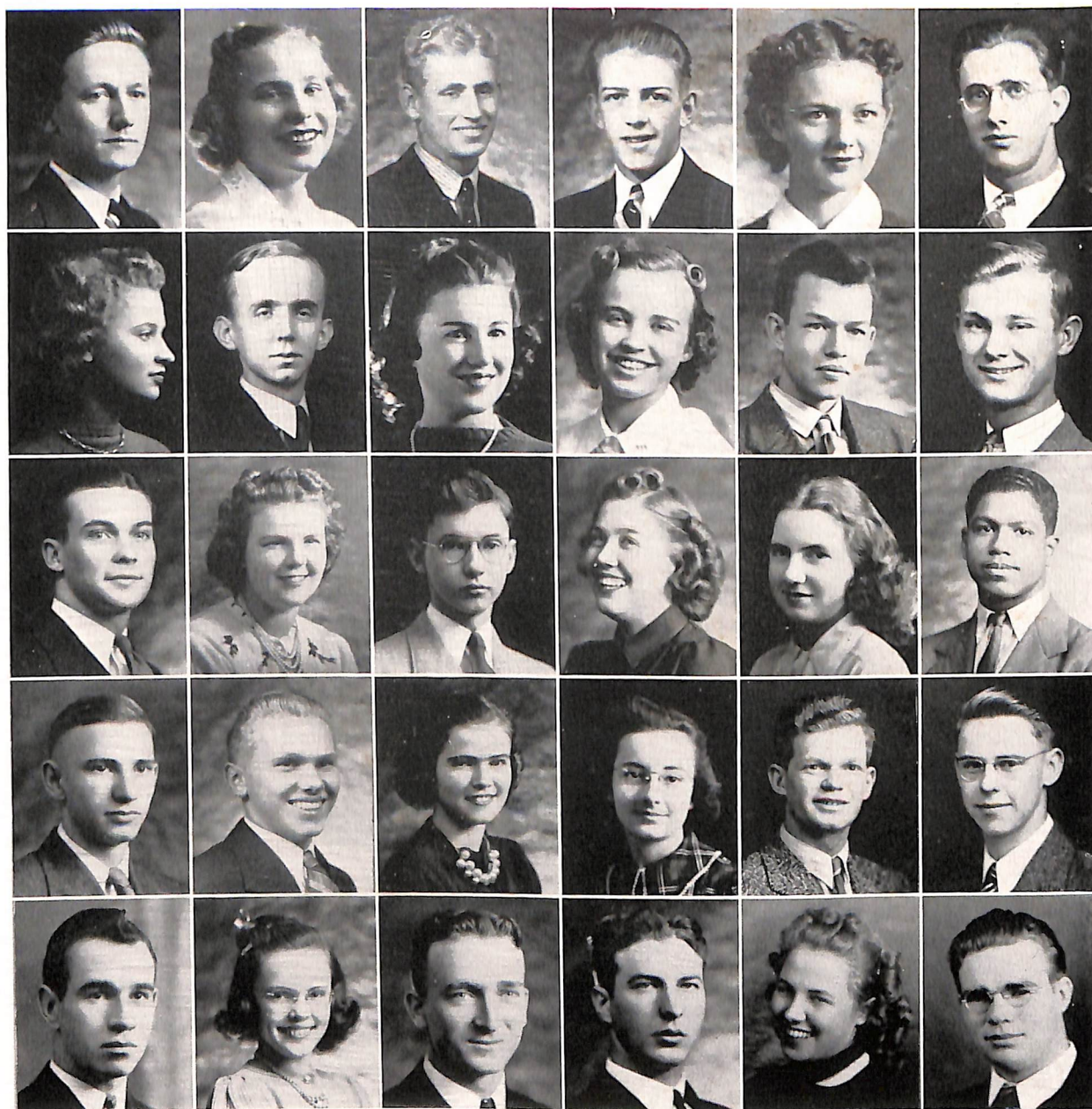
# FRESHMEN



Milford Lau	Oscar Jaeger	Patricia Watkins	Pauline Ash	Clarence Chew	Thomas Reilly
Virginia King	John Peterson	Vivian McArdle	Georgie Schumacher	Edward Bonn	Janet Rothacher
Mary Virginia Stevens	June Wegman	William Myers	John Finnan	Bette Schwartzbeck	June White
Arthur Dixon	Alberta Reister	Althea Stoeckel	Lyda Davis	Betty Emons	James Smith
Gerald Hamer	Clifford Nelson	Beverly Barley	Thomas Weber	Leola Fouls	Jack Trower

# Freshmen





Leonard  
Wilkening

Leatrice  
Niedernhofer

Edwin  
King

John  
Dierkes

Albie  
Scott

Elizabeth  
Carey

John  
Ewen

Nadine  
Hutcheson

George  
Nauyok

Norma  
Bristow

Kenneth  
Moore

Doris  
Blodgett

Norman  
Bentley

Mary Ann  
Wiseman

James  
Bridwell

Robert  
Herb

Eileen  
Ash

Betty  
Schippert

Dorothy  
Harvey

Murrel  
Muessel

Mary Jane  
Walker

Barnard  
Harms

Shirlee  
McConnell

Jack  
Barton

Frances  
Loer

Warren  
King

Edwin  
Hoffman

Eugene  
Holman

Orville  
Thomas

Joseph  
Stepanovich

# Freshmen





Leatha  
Call

Velva  
Dahncke

Don  
Lawrence

Neva  
Norris

Gertrude  
Hunt

William  
Reid

Frances  
Lane

Norma  
Cox

Mary  
Jennings

Jack  
Kindig

Paul  
Smith

Eugene  
Bruce

Eleanor  
Wiseman

Nealy  
Schumaker

Betty  
Schrimpf

Lucille  
Money

Kenneth  
Gregory

Marilae  
Muessel

Charles  
Hayes

Alice  
Reeder

# Freshmen



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# SOPHOMORES



Jeff West  
Granite City

James McNally  
Sioux City, Iowa

Earl Hassebrock  
Wood River

Ellwood Holtzsch  
Granite City

Vincent Shanks  
Moweaqua

Nevalee Tallyn  
Alton

William Caveny  
Plainview

Marie Barber  
Alton

Ruth Wimmer  
Alton

Fred Williams  
Alton

Mary Jeane Greer  
Greenfield

John Barnwell  
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Joseph Rallo  
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Franklin White  
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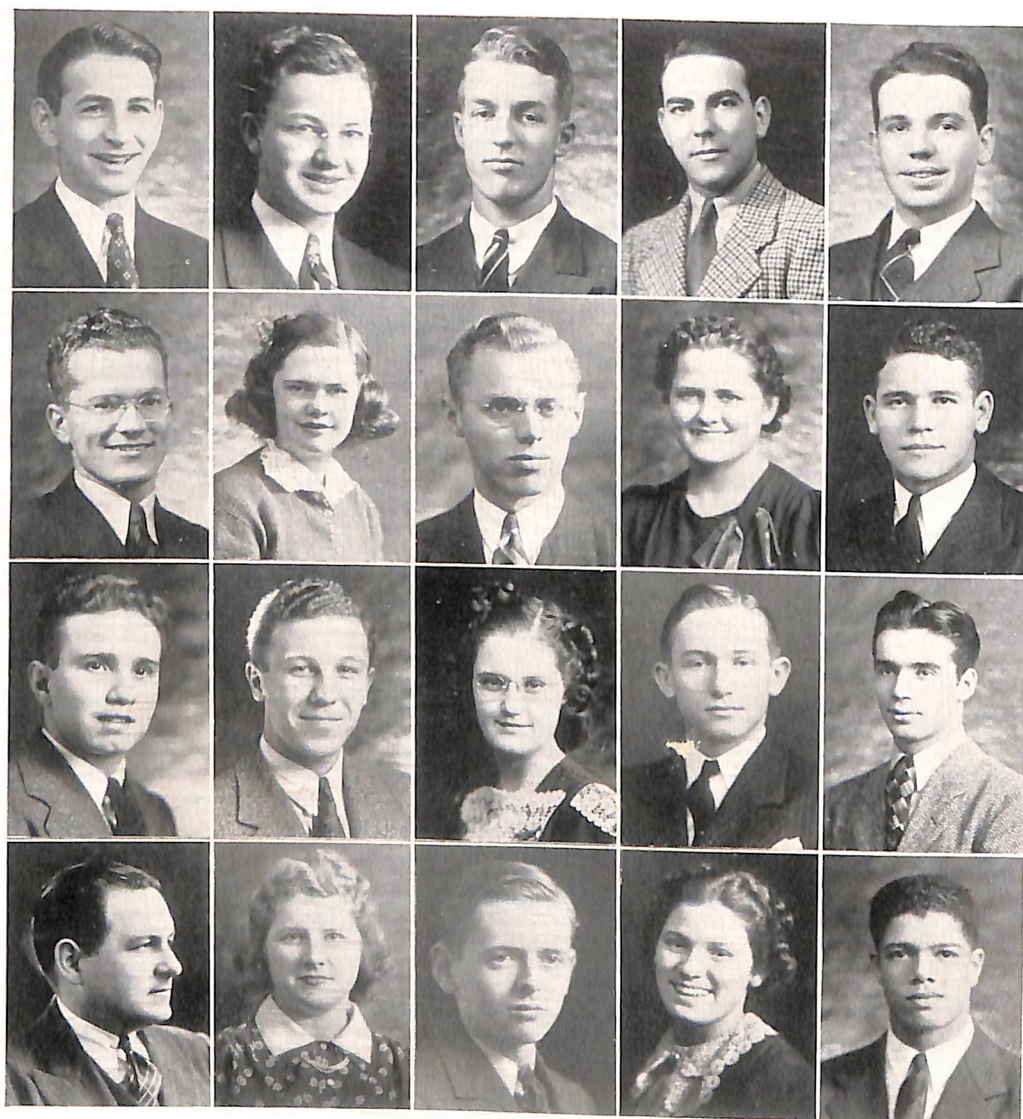
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Alton

Howard Dean  
Alton

Robert Duckels  
Chesterfield

## Sophomores





Edward Juneau  
Wood River

Curtis Woodford  
Moneta, Va.

Paul Mottaz  
Jerseyville

Robert Lahlein  
Alton

Roy Hill  
Smithboro

Charles Pesta  
Cleveland, Ohio

Betty Abi McDow  
Alton

Elvin Henke  
Edwardsville

Martha Warford  
Granite City

Robert Dickerson  
Alton

Sterling La Marsh  
Alton

Edward Bryant  
Alton

Eugenia Hawkins  
Wood River

Worthen Brooks  
Greenbrier, Ark.

Donald Harrod  
Wood River

Ben Bohn  
Hartford

Dorothy Ebbert  
Alton

Willis Whitfield  
Bunker Hill

Kathaleen Bowman  
Greenfield

Lucien Holman  
Alton

## Sophomores

Alice Balsley  
St. Louis

Leonard Bethards  
Alton

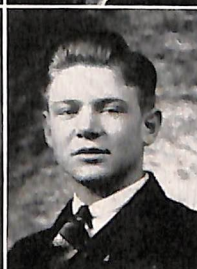
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Jerseyville



Homer Clark  
Alton

Maryella Godwin  
Alton

Virgil Weidner  
Dorchester



Douglas Huish  
Alton

Thomas Hall  
Benton Harbor, Mich.

Weir Bristow  
Alton



## Sophomores

The class of 1942 has now reached the second milestone of its college career. Two years gone—two years to go. As the freshman class of last year, it proved an enthusiastic and versatile group. The "Old Dorm" fire, the resulting adjustments, and the activities of the year found the class ready and eager to cooperate and carry its part of the responsibilities.

As sophomores of this year they lost some of their members but little of their pep. The class includes in its ranks the outstanding football player, the hero of the basketball season, as well as eight lettermen, the student body social chairman, and the Pioneer editor and his assistant, not to mention the memberships of the various school clubs and organizations.

Unless the summer mortality is too high, Shurtleff can look forward to a jolly and capable junior class next year.



# Homecoming

A brisk, invigorating autumn week-end set the stage very effectively for Homecoming . . . that week-end in college life that is filled with frolic, enthusiasm, and a renewal of old, cherished acquaintances.

For days upper classmen had experienced a growing anticipation and excitement. Play rehearsals were being held regularly; five charming girls had been elected as candidates for Homecoming queen; and football fever—that highly contagious and delirium-producing disease—had claimed all the students as its victims. Old "grads" and loyal friends of the college had been invited to the approaching activities.

At last, the fateful date arrived! The raising of the curtain on "The Whole Town's Talking," a witty, fast-moving play, marked the official beginning of Homecoming for 1939. Orchids go to Elvin Henke for his comical, yet pathetic portrayal of "Chet." Other leading roles were ably handled by Lucille Doyle, Norton Hilton, and Betty-Abi McDow.

The play over, everyone dashed to his car and sped to the Leverett pasture for the traditional bonfire and pep session. Voices grew hoarse, shrieking for a Shurtleff victory over Principia in the gridiron tilt scheduled for the next day. Then, in true carnival spirit, everyone snake-danced to Upper Alton for more cheers, more threats against Principia, and more pep.

Saturday morning . . . another gloriously bright day . . . and the parade. With all the abandon of a Mardi Gras celebration our thirty-five streamer-and-poster decorated cars wound and sirened through the city.

The lovely queen candidates rode at the head of the parade on an improvised float and all the while our determination for a Shurtleff football victory grew.

Came the afternoon, and throngs of Shurtleffites sat in unbelievably warm sunshine that Indian summer day waiting to see how their Alma Mater would pit itself against its opposition. The Principia student body, capped with cunning blue victory hats, sat across the field—also eager for action.

The game was slow-moving, cautious. Equal odds battled against each other. Happily for us, Principia had no Carl Keck and Tom Hall and Vince Shanks, but we did. Their speed and efficiency, backed by the help of plucky teammates, brought the prayed for victory. Shurtleff had defeated Principia 7 to 0!

Early in the evening old graduates gathered to reminisce at the Alumni Banquet, where Dr. Wimmer hopefully voiced the belief that, with sufficient financial and spiritual help, Shurtleff would soon expand and improve. Dinner ended early to enable guests to prepare for the most impressive and lovely event of the entire week-end—the coronation of the Homecoming queen.

In a solemn, pompous ceremony Irma Chevalley was crowned by the Student Pioneer to rule as queen for the year. Her infectious smile, her dark French beauty and grace, her extreme friendliness, and cooperative spirit had made her a worthy choice. Dorothy Chappee, Lucille Doyle, Pauline Johnson, and Marilyn Stanton surrounded their queen as maids-of-honor.

The week-end closed with a special religious service in the Upper Alton Baptist Church on Sunday morning. Ralph G. Schell, Executive Secretary of the Illinois Baptist Association, was the guest speaker. The A Cappella choir made its initial appearance of the year on this occasion.









Twelve veterans, one promising freshman, and a liberal supply of intestinal fortitude comprised the Pioneer football squad as the 1939 season began, and Coach C. V. Money audibly feared the worst. Six weeks and six football games later, Coach Money was beaming at a grid squad which had won four games and lost two; had defeated its three arch-rivals, McKendree, The Principia and Eureka; and had won the mythical Ivy-League championship for the second consecutive year.

For Shurtleffites, the most gratifying trait of the '39 team was an obstinate determination not to be defeated on its home field. The Moneymen played three games under the eyes of their fans, and won all three. In doing so, the Maroon and Gold gridmen supplied their less energetic colleagues with three golden memories: the sight of Tom Hall, sophomore fullback, tearing the Eureka line to shreds in

scoring three of the team's five touchdowns against the Red Devils; the sight of Carl Keck, diminutive senior halfback, rallying a badly beaten team and, with the aid of Mickey Lau, a freshman playing his second game of football, turning a 6 to 0 defeat into a 12 to 6 victory over McKendree; and the sight of Vince Shanks, sophomore end, gathering in a long and wobbly pass and staggering across the Principia goal-line for the touchdown that meant a Homecoming Victory.

Burlington Junior College and Tennessee Junior College were the villains of the Pioneer football drama for 1939. The powerful Iowans trounced the Moneymen 26 to 7, and the southerners ended the Pioneer season on a discordant note with a decisive defeat, 20 to 6. Moberly Junior College served as Shurtleff's only away-from-home victim. The Pioneers defeated the Missourians, 14 to 7.

## Football



**SHURTLEFF 34—EUREKA 0.** Shurtleff power, Shurtleff drive, Shurtleff aggressiveness . . . Hall off tackle for six, Hall off tackle for five, Hall off tackle for seven, for three, for five, for six . . . Hall and Keck, Hall and Reynolds, Reynolds and Keck, gain after gain, driving, driving, DRIVING . . . five touchdowns, Feige kicking five extra points, one disallowed . . . Eureka helplessness . . . no gain, no gain, a loss, a punt . . . no gain, no gain, NO GAIN . . . Eureka total yardage for four periods: minus six.

**SHURTLEFF 12—McKENDREE 6.** The end of the third period . . . McKendree 6—Shurtleff 0 . . . Two pioneer regulars on the bench, the team stunned, bewildered, helpless . . . the last quarter . . . Keck goes berserk . . . off tackle . . . off tackle . . . off tackle . . . Keck carrying the ball, Keck carrying the ball, Keck, Keck, Keck . . . stopped on the six . . . a poor McKendree punt . . . Lau returns it to the three . . . Lau scores through the line . . . then Keck again . . . a forty yard drive . . . Keck over tackle for a touchdown . . . Victory in the final period, with stars Hall and Reynolds on the bench!

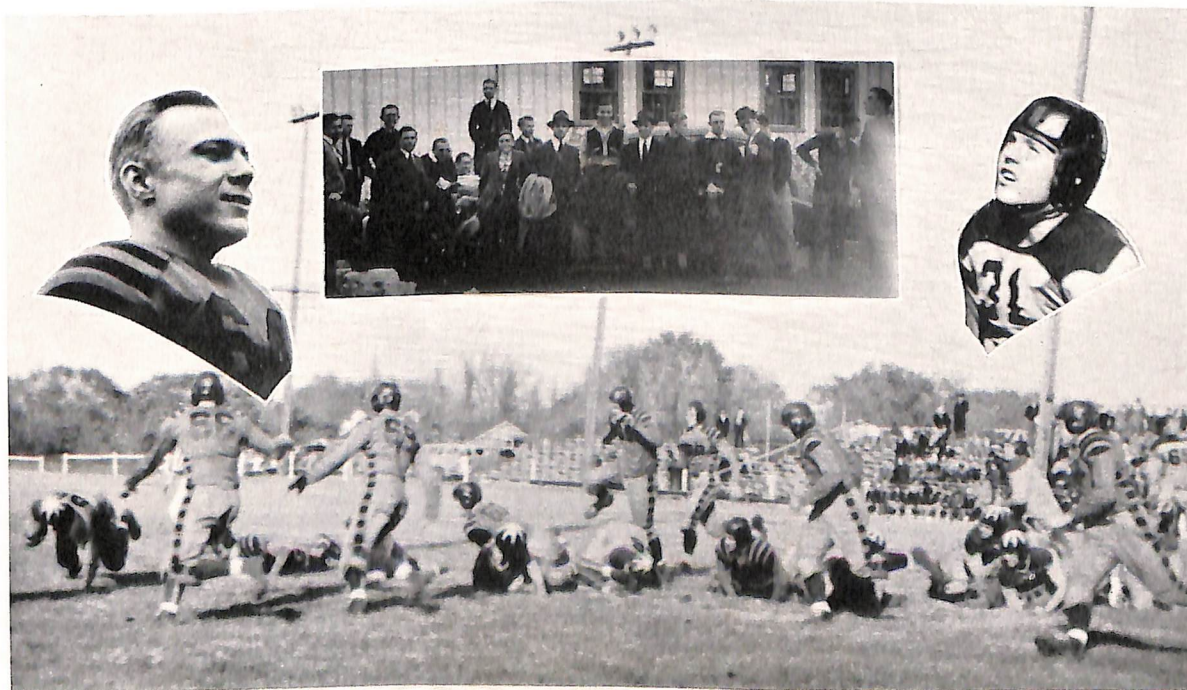
**BURLINGTON 26—SHURTLEFF 7.** A good little Shurtleff team, a better, bigger Burlington team . . . Burlington passes, passes, passes . . . four touchdowns, all the result of a superb pass attack . . . first defeat for the Moneymen.

**SHURTLEFF 14—MOBERLY 7.** Two blocked punts . . . both Joe Rallo . . . 240 pound guard . . . Feige carries one six yards for the score . . . Rallo the other . . . forty yards . . . forty yards to a touchdown . . . by the slowest man on the team!

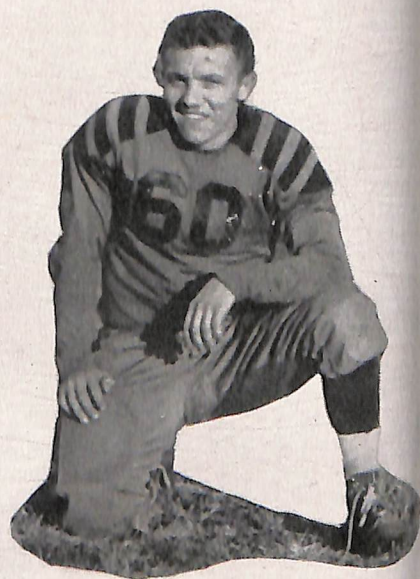
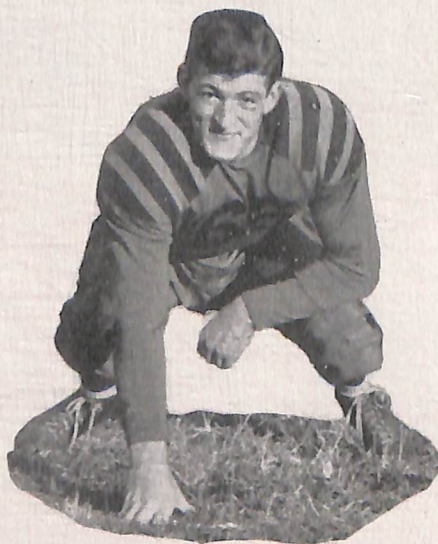
**SHURTLEFF 6—PRINCIPIA 0.** Principia tricky, confident . . . Shurtleff handicapped by injuries . . . two first-stringers out . . . Shurtleff power, Principia goal-line stand . . . Principia power, Shurtleff goal-line stand . . . taking turns . . . up and down the field . . . third period . . . a perfect pass, Hall to Feige, TOUCHDOWN . . . no, called back . . . next play, another pass . . . Shanks coming from nowhere . . . grabbing it . . . touchdown . . . victory . . . Homecoming victory . . . first in a long, long time!

**TENNESSEE 20—SHURTLEFF 6.** The southern boys are tough . . . power, reserves . . . the Moneymen, battered, tired, on foreign soil . . . returning home, nothing to say . . . except . . . "We lost to a better team!"

**SEASON'S END.** Eight victories, four defeats for two seasons . . . and only thirteen regulars this year! Holtzsch, brilliant, fighting, center, Most Valuable Player . . . and no dissenting votes. Keck, senior, sparkplug, game little guy, Honorary Captain . . . and no dissenting votes.



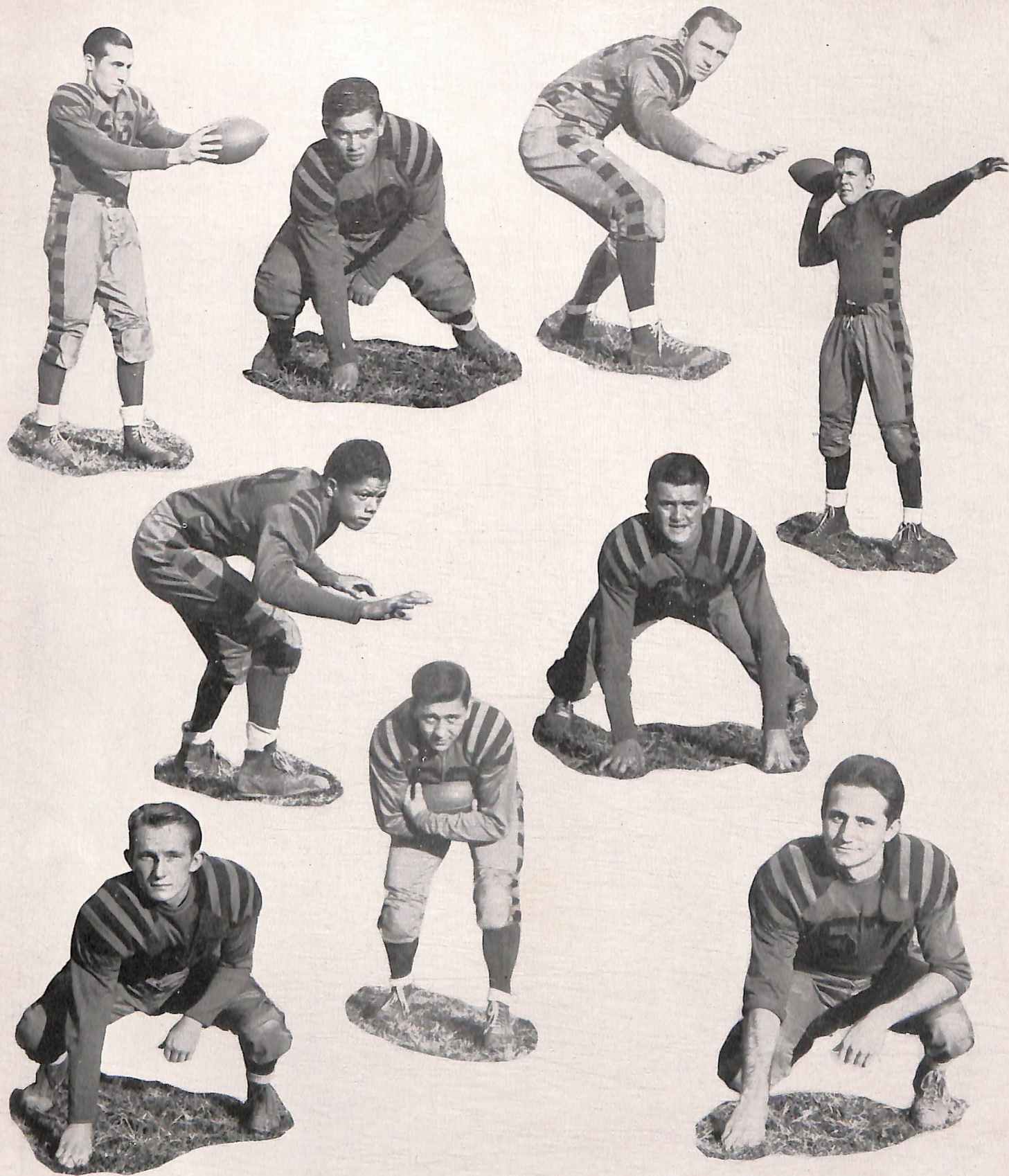




# Football

Top Row: Ellwood Holtzscher, Vincent Shanks, Art Feige.  
 Second Row: Carl Keck, Leonard Re, Sterling LaMarsh.  
 Third Row: Mickey Lau, Joe Rallo, Edgar Bryant.





Top Row: Tom Hall, Clarence Chew, Jeff West, Herman Wingert.  
Second Row: Lucien Holman, Joe Hamilton.  
Third Row: Bill Bruce, Bill Vahle, Osker Reynolds.

# Football



# Fall Events

Bright, crystal-clear autumn days ushered in the Fall season of campus activities. The usual routine of registration and entrance exams safely over, the students turned briskly to the "collegiate" side of life. Opening week was brimful of fun. A W. A. A. breakfast, an "S" tribe wiener roast, an informal tea, the opening chapel, the president's reception, and an all-school mixer were the highlights of the "get-acquainted" schedule.

Textbooks arrived with distressing promptness, and professors delved quickly into their class lecture notes. They held their students' attention but briefly, when King Football began kicking his way over the campus, and the students fell in line behind him with eager willingness. After a victory over arch-rival McKendree, cries of "Let's go to chapel" resulted in a holiday. There was the parade, the movie, the party—and then classes again the next morning.

Days became crisper. Stacks of dead leaves covered the grass of the campus, and soon it was Hallowe'en. The Social Committee planned a masquerade party at which campus "cut-ups" formed a group of characters one would hope never to see outside of witchland.

In November, Homecoming arrived for its gala three-day celebration.

That Shurtleffites could not flit gaily all through fall like brainless grasshoppers was given assurance by the deluge of mid-semester tests. However, enough "food for thought" had surprisingly been stored away to take the student body safely through that chilly, dismal week.

Days rushed by. The two Thanksgivings and the two plump turkeys became but memories. Fall had slipped by, quietly, graciously; but . . . no bother . . . there was still so much to come.







WINTER



# Music

The call to A Cappella choir try-outs was the students' first encounter with the Shurtleff Conservatory of Music and its new instructor, Professor James McKelvy. Those students with sufficient courage approached the ordeal, only to find that it was not really so fearful. Selections were made and rehearsals begun. During all the glorious fall afternoons, the open chapel windows sent out swelling volumes of harmonious sound, and soon the choir began adding to the beauty of the Wednesday morning chapel hour with its anthems.

Under the competent baton of the youthful leader, the group united with the music lovers of Alton and the surrounding community in presenting for the second consecutive year, Handel's famous oratorio "The Messiah."

During the spring months, the choir appeared frequently in the churches of Alton and of the nearby towns. Ten days were spent in touring the state, presenting sacred concerts in the schools and churches of some of the larger cities, traveling 1200 miles. The four radio broadcasts were climaxed by singing over WLS in Chicago.

From among the thirty-four choir members, a group of ten madrigal singers was chosen who practiced faithfully to reproduce the Elizabethan madrigals and the traditional carols of all periods and countries. The group proved particularly popular during the Christmas season.

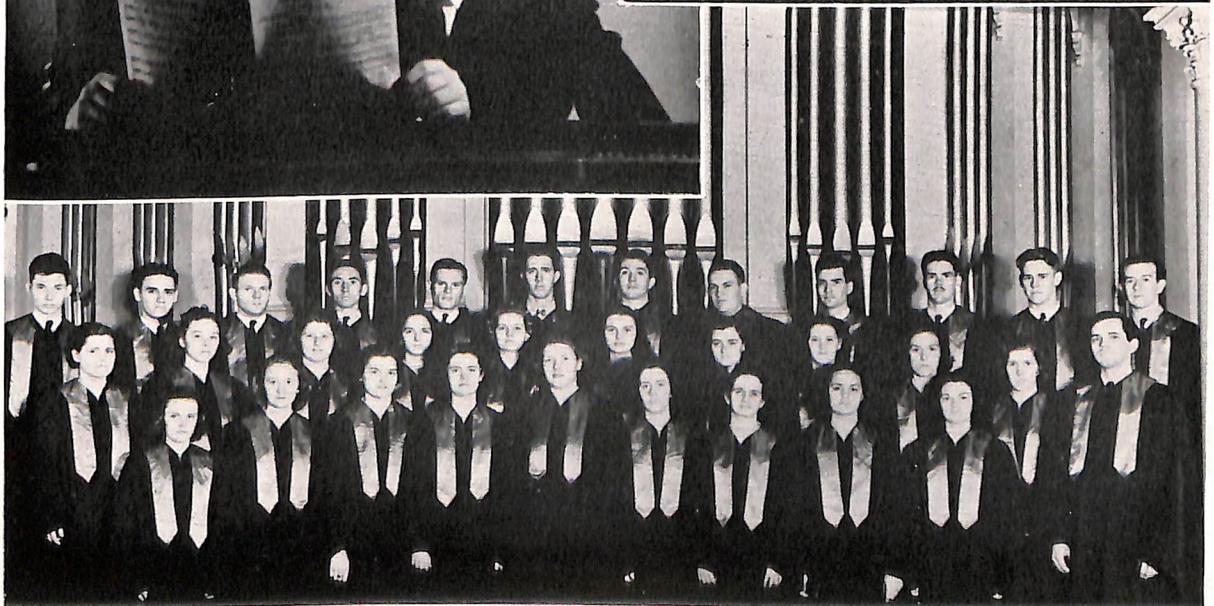
Another favorite musical organization on the campus was the Male Quartette, composed this year of Harold Biggs, James McNally, Albie Scott, and Morman Bentley. These four, with carefully trained voices, were always well received by student and community audiences.

It was in January, shortly before the new semester, that Professor Charles J. Meek arrived on the campus to take over the newly created position of Director of Instrumental Music. Mr. Meek introduced himself to the students in Chapel by giving a violin recital, and his masterly performance left no doubt of his great musical ability.

Almost immediately the blare of trumpets and the sound of violins began to issue forth from the Shurtleff Conservatory, and odd shaped instrument cases appeared. The promise of campus band and orchestral groups for next year began circulating and were confirmed by the enthusiastic young leader. When the "old grads" and the "new students" gather next fall to cheer the football heroes, the strains of the Alma Mater will once more sound triumphantly from a "regular" Shurtleff band.

No further mention of Shurtleff music could be made without stopping to pay tribute to the college piano and organ instructor, Professor Carl F. Jessen, whose quiet dignity and sparkling wit have endeared him to his many students, and whose beautiful and impressive contributions to the devotional chapel periods have won the appreciation of the entire student body.









## Campus Leaders

Don Moore .....	President Student Body
Sterling LaMarsh.....	Co-chairman Social Committee
Marilyn Stanton.....	Co-chairman Social Committee
Dorothy Chappée.....	President W. A. A., Secretary Student Body
Carl Keck.....	President "S" Tribe, Vice-President Student Body
Willard Miller.....	President Sigma Zeta, President Senior Class
Sterling Page.....	President Junior Class
Jeff West.....	President Sophomore Class
Milford Lau.....	President Freshman Class
Edythe Purdy.....	President Sigma Tau Delta
Neal Robertson.....	President Pi Kappa Delta
Lucille Doyle.....	President Alpha Psi Omega
William Bohn.....	President Ministerial Allitance
Norton Hilton.....	President International Relations Club
Robert Lahlein.....	Editor Pioneer
Eunice Helmkamp.....	Editor Retrospect



# Organizations

## RETROSPECT

The 1940 Retrospect staff consisted of seven juniors, three sophomores, two freshmen, and one senior. During our many hectic meetings throughout the two semesters, we worked and argued and worried and laughed, and then worked some more. Percy Russell, our campus photographer, deserves special recognition for his fine work which appears on the pages of this book.



## INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

That Dr. David has a secret embassy with Hitler and can read his mind is only one of a host of amazing revelations which came to light in the brilliant and not-so-brilliant discussions of this club. The year's activities consisted of a series of alternate open meetings, in which a group of distinguished visiting professors and Alton business men conducted round table discussions on international topics; and closed, informal meetings in which only members voiced their omniscient and profound views, and in which, incidentally, tea and cookies played no small role.



## SIGMA TAU DELTA

Using an impressive candle-light service, the active members of the Chi Beta chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, Edythe Purdy, Don Moore, Lucille Doyle, Miss Kemper, and Dr. Fadner, initiated twelve trembling, but undaunted, new members early in the first semester.

Regular monthly meetings followed, when each member was privileged to read of his own literary "brain-children." Often the attempts missed their desired mark, but always they were entertaining and well-received. At the February meeting it was fun reading original valentines that had been written by members for each other. How they dripped with love and sentiment! Sometimes speakers came to our meetings to tell us about their own favorite authors or their favorite books.

Throughout the year Sigma Tau Delta activities brought us closer to literature and furnished opportunities for carefree campus "get-togethers".

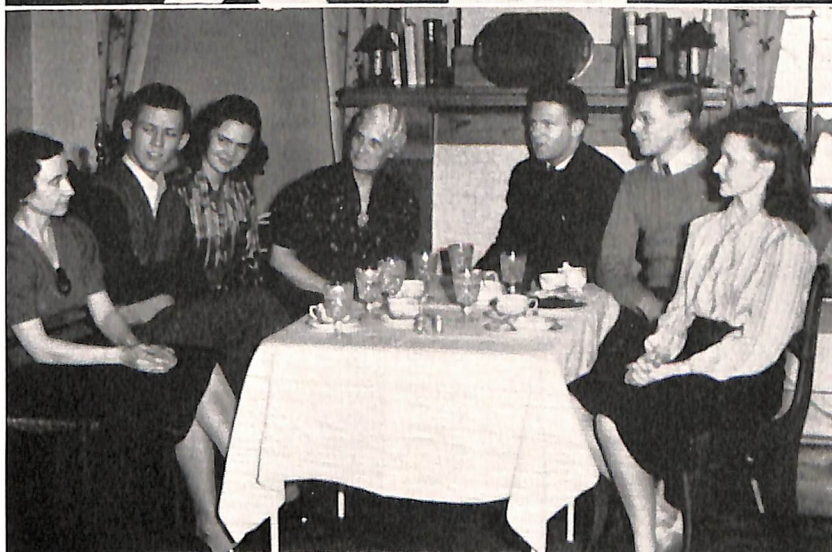






### PIONEER

"The paper must come out" has been the slogan of the staff this year, even though the midnight oil has often burned long after midnight and the editor has sometimes found as many as six grey hairs to pluck out next day, if he happened to wake up long enough to perform such an operation. The staff has worked hard but has gained much in experience and friendship.



### ALPHA PSI OMEGA

The Gamma Omicron chapter of the national honorary dramatic fraternity of Alpha Psi Omega initiated this year five neophytes, their membership having been decided on the basis of points earned in dramatic work. As a group, the organization sponsored three major play nights, the first at Homecoming in the fall when "The Whole Town's Talking" was presented; the second, when three class plays were directed by Alpha Psi members in midwinter; and last, in the spring, when Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew" was produced.



### SIGMA ZETA

Dr. Sigmund Data . . . how vivid must be the memories of the monthly meetings in which Dr. Sigmund Data, Percival and Aloysius of the second dimension, stories of oil and of the World's Fair, and many educational films played the major roles. It has been an interesting and an all-too-short year, this one which marks the fifteenth anniversary of the founding of this national honorary science fraternity on Shurtleff campus by our own present day sponsor, Professor E. E. List.



### MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE

One of the links connecting the Baptist churches of this area to Shurtleff College is the organization composed of regular and special ministerial students, the Ministerial Alliance. Under the capable guidance of Dr. Schock, philosophy professor, the group has met frequently during the past year to discuss various vital problems.



### PI KAPPA DELTA

Pi Kappa Delta, the National Forensic fraternity, this year debated the question: Resolved, that the United States should follow a policy of strict (economic and military) isolation toward all nations outside the Western Hemisphere engaged in armed international or civil conflict. The schedule of intercollegiate debates was so arranged that all members of the debate class were given opportunity to represent the college and thus become eligible for membership in Pi Kappa Delta. Tournaments were attended at Charleston, and at Jackson, Tennessee.



### GERMAN CLUB

Der Deutsche Verein was sponsored this year by Miss Claire V. Whiting, head of the Modern Language Department, for the purpose of improving the students' oral German. The members of the club are all second year German students.

During the regular meetings, held the first Friday of each month, members enjoyed German stories, songs, and discussions.

Highlights of the year's activities were a joint French and German Club Christmas party and a Spring picnic, both of which were open to all Shurtleff language students.





## Fire

On January sixth, just a few days less than a year after the tragic burning of the Administration Building, the fire engines with their coiling hose and eerie sirens were again summoned to the Shurtleff campus. A spark in the cupola of Castle Hall, better known as the Boy's Dorm, had ignited the roof. Flames shot far up into the cold sky, while the "dorm" boys and their friends raced madly against time to remove what portion of their furniture and clothes they could reach.

Huge crowds gathered to stand helplessly in the snow, watching the crackling flames as they rose to their greatest strength and then slowly died.

The next morning found the graceful old building without its ornamental cupola and a large portion of its roof, while the upper rooms stood black and charred in the cold air. The boys who had called Castle Hall their home for one, two, three, even four years, wandered with dismal faces through the echoing, disfigured rooms.

Castle Hall is no more . . . but in its place a new and handsome dormitory is to rise, whose architectural beauty will rival that of the Girls' Dorm and the promised Administration Building.



# Winter Events

With December came the realization that the old semester was well on its way. In spite of Messiah rehearsals and madrigal concerts, basketball games and intramural tournaments, fire sirens and snowdrifts, the classes went on with clocklike regularity. Term papers were finished, laboratory experiments and book reports handed in, class notes copied, and text books feverishly read. The finals approached; they arrived; they passed.

Briefly, registration occupied our attention. New faces appeared on the campus, and the second semester settled into its routine of work and fun.

Clubs were particularly active during the cold months. The Radio Production class was organized, and the WTMV broadcasts began. No doubt the high point of the season for the student body as a whole was the Shurtleff basketball victory over McKendree and the ensuing holiday (?).

Then, finally, with the lengthening of the days and the gradual rising of the thermometer, the winter season melted into spring.





# Basketball

With basketball fast becoming Shurtleff's most important sport, Coach C. V. Money's 1939-40 cage squad attracted campus attention through almost two full months of the school year. Eager to match last year's astonishing record of twenty victories in twenty-five games, Coach Money assembled a squad consisting of veterans Bob Duckels, Art Feige, and Joe Hamilton, reserves Vince Shanks, Bill Bruce, and Sterling LaMarsh, and freshman Mickey Lau. By the time the team had played the last game of its eighteen games schedule, all six of these players had won recognition as regulars—and veterans.

The Moneymen began their season as if determined to surpass the record of the previous year, and won their first six games. Inability to win consistently away from home, however, brought the record for the year to eleven victories and seven defeats.

Outstanding achievement of the Moneymen was extension of the home-court record to nineteen consecutive victories. Bitterest disappointment was the loss of four out of the last five games, and two successive defeats at home.

The success of this year's team brought Shurtleff's two-year basketball record to thir-

ty-one victories and only twelve defeats. In addition, the Moneymen more than held their own against Ivy-League competitors. They defeated McKendree twice, defeated and lost to the best Principia team in the history of the neighboring school, and divided a two-game series with Eureka. But victory-sated Shurtleff adherents are registering no complaints. They have seen the Moneymen win nineteen of the twenty-one games played in the Shurtleff gym in the last two seasons.

The principal ingredient in the Pioneer victory formula was team-play. Even the famed ability of Bob Duckles, star forward, was only a cog in a splendid machine. Art Feige, playing his last year at forward for the Moneymen, concentrated on his floor game and turned the matter of scoring over to his mates. Joe Hamilton, also donning a Maroon and Gold uniform for the last time, was the fighter of the squad, and his aggressive defensive play and ability to score via long-shots carried him through another season of stardom.

Not the least among the stellar Moneymen were Shanks, Bruce, and La Marsh. Stepping up from their positions as reserves on the 1938-39 team, the three performed as if they







had played regularly for an entire college career. Superb guarding was the forte of both Shanks and Bruce, while La Marsh, although not neglecting his defensive duties, was artistic in his ability to turn one-handed shots into points.

Of particular aid to the team because of his balanced play was Mickey Lau, a freshman making his Shurtleff basketball debut. Although hampered by an ankle injury during

the early part of the season, Lau developed rapidly until he was generally acclaimed the hero of the second Pioneer victory over McKendree.

What the Moneymen might have accomplished had not Duckles, whose near-perfect play has won acclaim throughout the area, been layed low by the flu as the season neared its end, will never be decided.



# Girls' Sports

With the advent of Miss Beatrice Davies, the energetic and enthusiastic gym instructor, and an unusually large class of jolly freshman girls, the Shurtleff Women's Athletic Association, an organization which has been in existence on our campus since 1920, awoke to a year chock-full of fun and achievement. Girls are eligible for membership after they have earned 100 points through participation in the various sports, and W. A. A. insignias are awarded to those outstanding members who have earned two hundred, four hundred, eight hundred, or more points. Under this year's revised point system, credit was given for each hour of practice, with additional points for making the various teams and for winning the intramural contests and tournaments.

An executive board of seven members controls the business of the organization. This year's board included: President, Dorothy Chappee; Business Manager, Marilyn Stanton; Secretary-Treasurer, Irma Chevalley; senior representative, Nancy Standefer; junior representative, Eunice Helmkamp; sophomore representative, Maryella Godwin; and freshman representative, Janet Rothacher.

## HOCKEY

When the big crate of hockey equipment arrived at the gym last fall, enthusiasm was redoubled. Brandishing their sticks with amateurish vigor, the Shurtleff girls set forth upon their hockey careers. Bruised knees, bumped heads, and scarred elbows resulted, but three hockey teams finally emerged to play in the fall intramural tournament. Miss Davies, a member of the National Hockey Association, succeeded in one season in organizing and coaching the girls into what, in our optimistic moments, we called hockey teams. During all

the crisp fall days, the sport remained popular, and early in the spring it was again resumed, this time with a group of "experienced" players.

## BASKETBALL AND SWIMMING

Winter winds and deep snow drove the co-ed athletes to shelter. Basketballs began bouncing, and swimmers began splashing. The regular Wednesday night swimming classes grew steadily in attendance, and the Shurtleff "mermaids" swam and swam. Lessons in beginning and advanced swimming, in diving, and in life-saving were given.

During the early 1940 months, however, basketball reigned supreme. After hours of practice, a four team tournament was played to decide the school championship. On the seventh of March, the Monticello basketeers administered a thorough but not overwhelming defeat to our W. A. A. varsity squad, 35-27.

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Individual sports included ping-pong, bicycling, hiking, and tennis, while volley ball furnished a number of credits to the ambitious members of the association. Nor were the hockey field, gymnasium, tennis courts, and swimming pool the only scenes of achievement for this versatile organization. The W. A. A. also took its important place in Shurtleff's social life. A breakfast for freshman girls and a reception and tea for Miss Davies added to the opening of school festivities. A Christmas party for the ladies of the Alton Women's Home was arranged, and Heart Sister week was planned and carried to a pleasant conclusion with the customary afternoon tea. Early morning hikes were followed by open-air breakfasts, and the year's events were crowned by an hilarious house-party at Talahi.







# Intramurals

A new schedule, a large measure of hard work by Athletic Director C. V. Money, and a fresh spirit of enthusiasm and cooperation on the part of the students, combined to make the 1939-40 Intramural schedule one of the most successful in years.

Most popular among the sports for men were basketball, football, speedball, softball, ping-pong, and badminton. The Intramural football game, featuring a Freshman-Senior team pitted against a Sophomore-Junior team, was the highlight of the year's activities. With all participants protected by regulation football equipment, the "touch" football of other years was forgotten, and the class gridders engaged in a battle royal which made up in enthusiasm what it lacked in finesse. In spite of all, however, neither team could marshal sufficient power to score, and the game ended a deadlock.

A full-fledged Intramural basketball tournament resulted in a championship for the

"Whackers," a team led by Earl Hassebrock and Ed Mohundro. The "Whackers" attained the championship at the expense of the "Golden Eagles", "Champs", "Backroom Guys", and "Dorm Rats".

Only two teams entered the speedball tournament, and the "Barton Beauties" were no match for the "Crimson Streaks."

Harold Biggs, a senior, won the cross-country run by covering the 3.9 miles in 26.42 minutes. Barton, Peterson, and Bentley were the only other competitors.

No survey of an athletic year at Shurtleff could be called complete without mention of the Shurtleff "S" Tribe, an organization composed of letter-winners in intercollegiate competition. A successful wiener-roast, informal party, and swimming party, stamped the group one of the most energetic of campus organizations. Carl Keck was president this year, and Coach Money served as Faculty Adviser.







SPRING



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JUNIORS



# Juniors

**Sterling Page**, our class president, debonair and handsome, earnest and sincere. . . . **Veneta Harrod**, class secretary, shy and retiring, every inch a lady. . . . **Richard Rutz**, treasurer, intent upon making "law-abiding citizens" of our student body; appreciative of the cultural in life as well as the practical. . . . **Eunice Helmkamp**, vice-president, Retrospect editor, hard-working and capable, friendly and sincere. . . . **Arthur Feige**, star of football field and basketball floor; known as the "Campus Casanova". . . . **Norton Hilton**, continuing the Hilton-Shurtleff affiliations; interested in international affairs. . . . **Percy Russell**, campus photographer, fun-loving and carefree. . . . **Marilyn Stanton**, technologist and cheerleader, tennis champion and all-around good sport. . . . **Carl Johnk**, the campus "find" in cartography, dependability, acumen. . . . **Donald Jackson**, towering over his classmates, known for his impromptu wit.

**Sterling Page**  
Commerce

**Veneta Harrod**  
English

**Richard Rutz**  
Mathematics

**Eunice Helmkamp**  
English

**Arthur Feige**  
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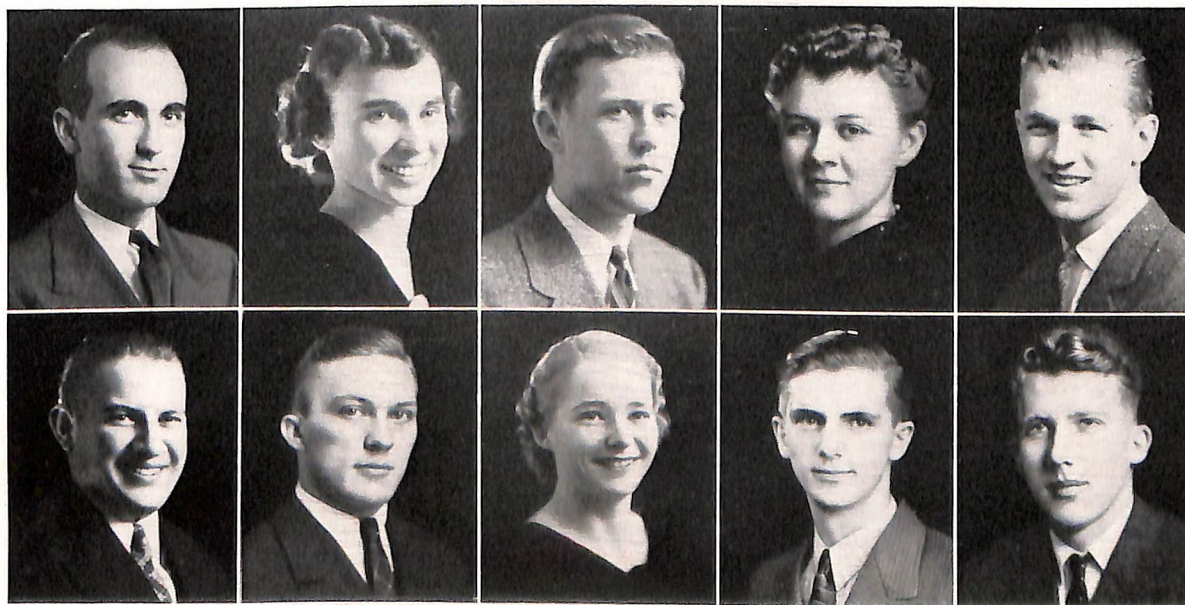
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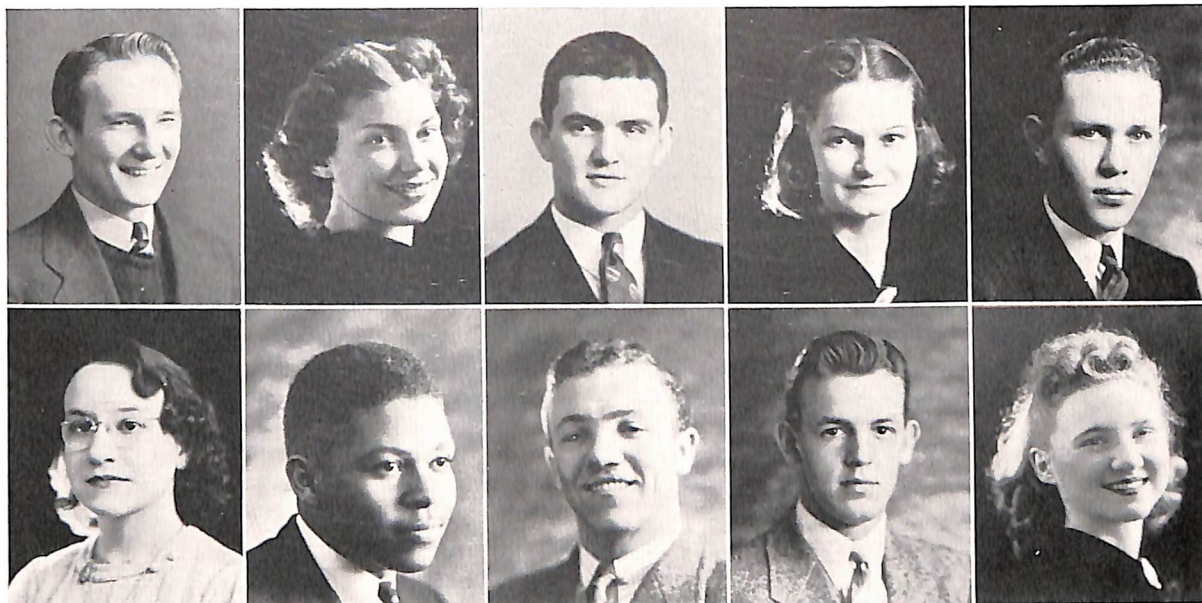
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**Lucille Doyle**  
Education

**William Bruce**, the boy with the infectious smile and dauntless grit; a friend to have, a skill to laud. . . . **Irma Chevalley**, an all-around queen; proof that beauty and brains do mix. . . . **Joe Hamilton**, the junior with the individual haircut and shining athletic record. . . . **Anita Leese**, class journalist, with keen mind and strong convictions, petite and charming. . . . **Max Wood**, affable pianist, of immaculate grooming and jolly disposition. . . . **Pauline Giberson**, a quiet junior with brilliant mind and deep interest in her work. . . . **John Paul Jackson**, complacent, unhurried, whose slow drawling speech accentuates his dry wit. . . . **Edgar Bryant**, "Sug," the jolly, willing worker, with a personal interest in this year's freshman class. . . . **Herman Wingert**, "Ham" to his many friends, quiet and good-looking athlete. . . . **Lucille Doyle**, dramatic star, friendly and impetuous, with boundless enthusiasm and vivacity.

## Juniors



# Juniors

**Laurel Grigg**, little but powerful, a leader in debate, oratory and ministerial work. . . . **Helen Carroll**, demure and tiny, with a never failing sense of humor. . . . **Peter McFarlane**, quiet and earnest, interested in his work and interesting to his friends. . . . **Frances Cies**, blond, blue eyes, and ready supply of humor and enthusiasm; junior dormitory representative. . . . **Nelson Russell**, scientist and sprinter, "Doc's" right hand man in Loomis Hall. . . . **Stanley Riemer**, tall, quiet, devoted to Billy. . . . **Willie Lane**, tiny, quiet, devoted to Stan—a perfect class romance which goes on and on. . . . **Edwin Mohundro**, possessor of that undying spirit and will to conquer the unconquerable. . . . **Lloyd Durre**, the class representative in the realms of music and business. . . . **Edgar Franz**, enthusiastic and hard-working; a lot of intelligence with equal parts of determination to win.

**Laurel Grigg**  
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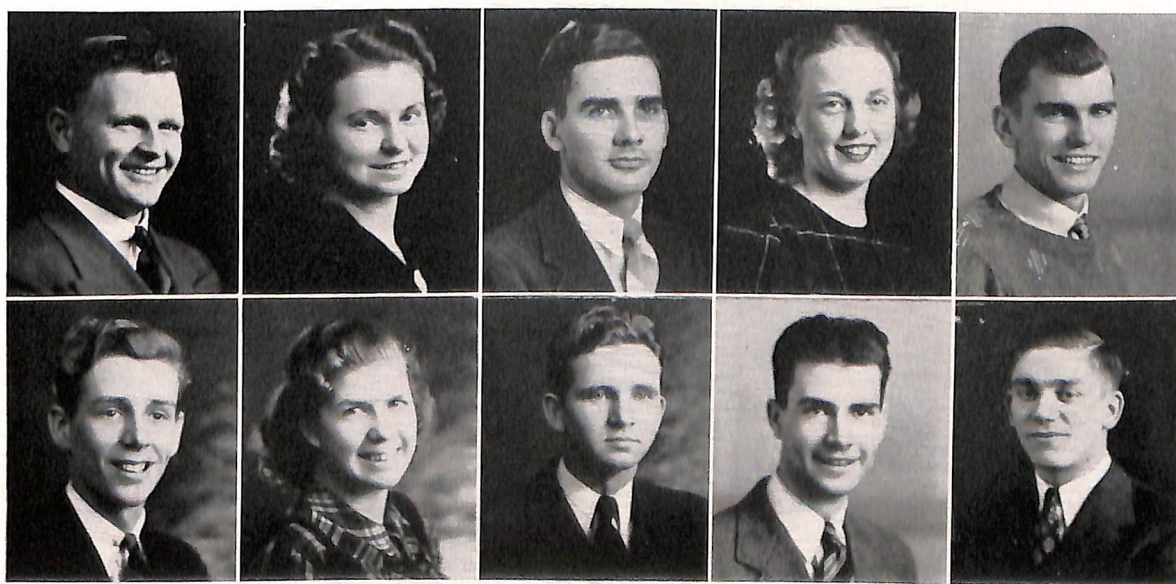
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Chemistry





# Spring Events

While the days lengthened and the sun looked out shyly, the Shurtleff students worked harder than ever. Choir rehearsals and play rehearsals became more frequent and more intense. On March first, a large crowd assembled at Western Military Academy Field House to congratulate Alpha Psi Omega on its latest dramatic success, a series of one-act plays, **Three Pills in a Bottle**, **The Valiant**, and **The Tangled Web**.

The next week we gathered to send our best wishes along with the choir members who climbed so hilariously into their bus for a ten day tour of the state.

During the next few weeks a blank curtain must be drawn, for the staff members who write this copy were too engrossed in their Retrospect work to notice the campus activities. Of course, there was the "S" Tribe's successful party so effectively advertised by their publicity committee. Then, while the budding surveyors gazed into their queer-looking instruments, and the numerous old and new "romancers" strolled the campus green, the hard working juniors completed their preparations for the annual celebration honoring the seniors, a celebration which proved to be a crowning affair of the social year.

The days rushed by. May replaced April, bringing with it the perennial epidemic of spring fever. Too soon the eighteenth week arrived, and seniors donned their caps and gowns to form the 113th graduation procession of Shurtleff College.





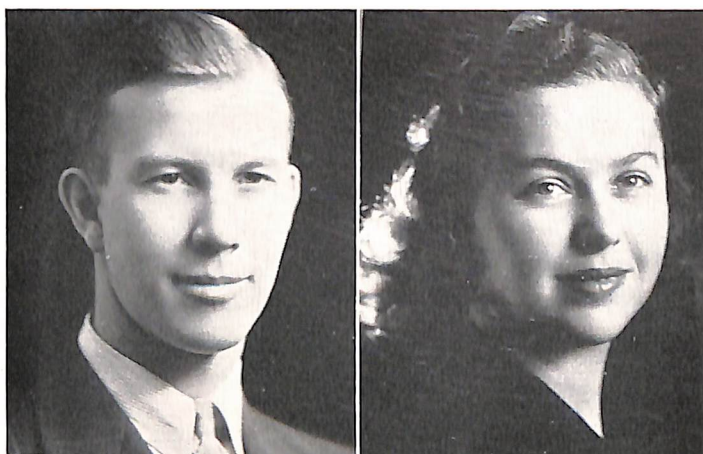


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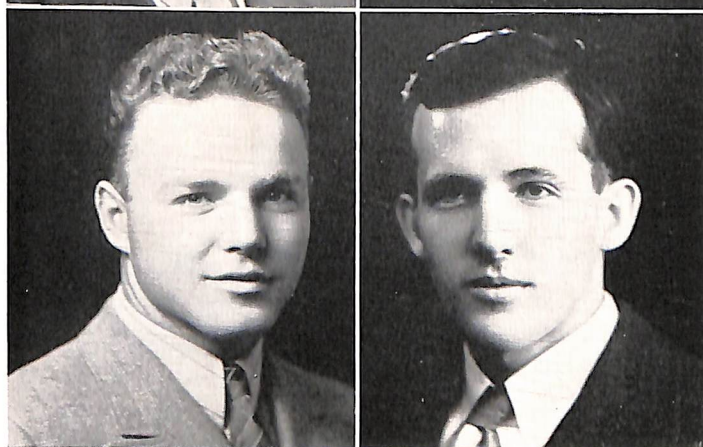


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Bethalto

**Dorothy Chappee**

French  
Alton



**Carl Keck**

Physical Education  
Gillespie

**Willard Miller**

Mathematics  
Wood River

**Don—**

"He managed always to look for the bright side of human fortune."

**Dorothy—**

"As she passed, so quiet, so unassuming, she struck the casual observer as the pattern of a perfect lady."

**Carl—**

"All his excellencies stand in him so silently, as if they had stolen upon him without his knowledge."

**Willard—**

"For his is the road of pure science and he must follow where it leads, however bright or terrible the vision he may see gleaming in his test tubes."



**Gilbert—**

"His completely unassuming manner made friends wherever he went."

**Eleanor Jo—**

"She was born with great ability, but she was not content with that. She measured herself by a very high standard."

**Harold—**

"In every deed of mischief, he had a heart to resolve, a head to contrive and a hand to execute."

**Neal—**

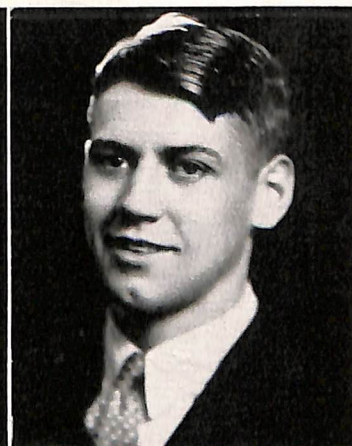
"A man he seems of cheerful yesterdays and confident tomorrows."

**Gilbert Kohlenberg**

History  
Bunker Hill

**Harold Love**

Chemistry  
Alton



**Eleanor Jo Hall**

Biology  
Clayville, R. I.

**Neal Robertson**

Education  
Alton



# Seniors



# Seniors



**C. Allan Goss**

Philosophy

Bethalto

**Pauline Johnson**

Biology

Alton

**Edythe Purdy**

English

Wilsonville

**James McKee**

Commerce

Gillespie

**Allan—**

"Perhaps the most outstanding thing about him was his capacity for enjoyment."

**Edythe—**

"There are her eyes, large and wide apart, which reveal the dreamer and the mystic."

**Pauline—**

"She always had time for the little kindnesses which make the world a joyous place."

**James—**

"He pondered much, but said little; he spoke not, and yet a conversation lay in his eyes."



Nancy—

"She had a warmth, a force of character, and a bubbling vitality."

Ed—

"He was a man of forecast and of thrift, and of a shrewd and careful mind."

John—

"If you want to remember just one striking characteristic of him, remember this one: he had a merry heart."

Marie—

"A quiet nobility and a perfect self-control pervaded her presence."

Nancy Standefer

Biology

Wood River

John Stewart

Chemistry

Alton



Edmond Vonnahmen

Chemistry

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Marie Cruzat

Music

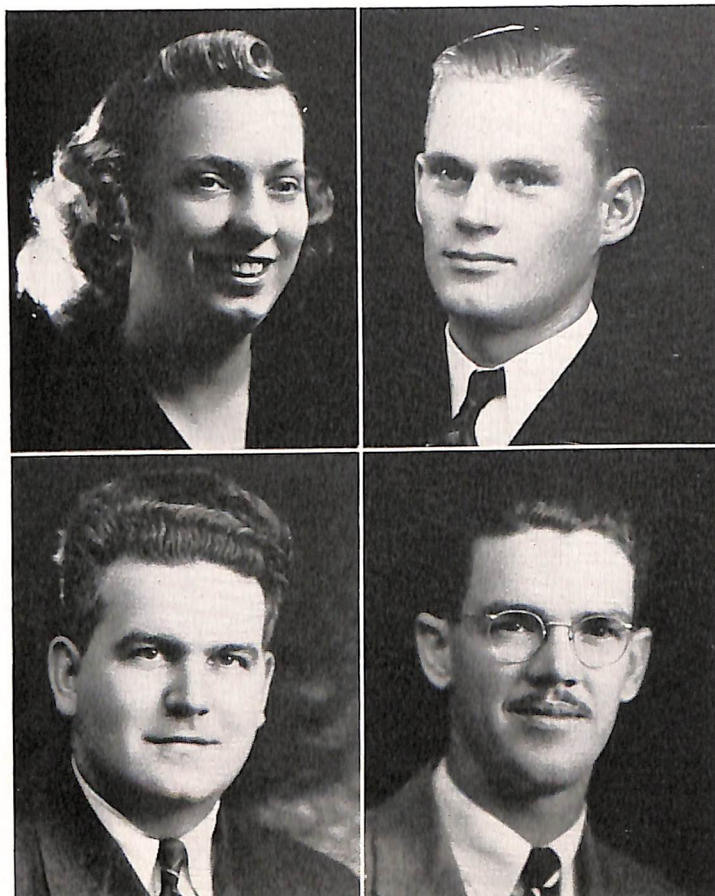
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## Seniors



# Seniors



**Mildred Schwager**

History  
Edwardsville

**Eugene Clower**

Chemistry  
Alton

**William Bohn**

History  
East Alton

**Harold Biggs**

Biology  
Granite City

**Mildred—**

"Happy art thou, as if every day  
thou hadst picked up a horseshoe."

**Bill—**

"Because he has never held himself  
aloof; because his dignity is inherent  
and not a matter of external forms,  
we recognize in him a wise and  
deeply human man."

**Eugene—**

"He plays as one who has toiled like  
a giant; for no one can achieve a  
mastery of technic such as his with-  
out toil."

**Harold—**

"He appeared to be on the surface  
exactly what he really was: sine cera  
—without wax—sincere."



# Seniors

What a thrill to be a college senior! During the freshman and sophomore years the student looks toward graduation as a triumph to be achieved in some far distant future. A junior year passes all too quickly, and, suddenly, it is registration day again, and the blank following the word "class" is filled with the magic word, "Senior." Only thirty-six more weeks of college! Only one short year! And the senior's mind is torn between joyful anticipation of the future and sad reminiscence of happy college days almost ended.

This year's senior class, like the 112 classes that have preceded it, goes out this June to leave a vacancy which next year's class must fill. The school will miss them, miss their brilliance, their cooperation, their constant good will. The class will miss Shurtleff. But the college doors are opening and a new and different life awaits them. And suddenly it is good to be a tiny part of the great academic procession that is marching out of the past into the future of Shurtleff College.





# Senior Autographs





SUMMER



# Administration Building



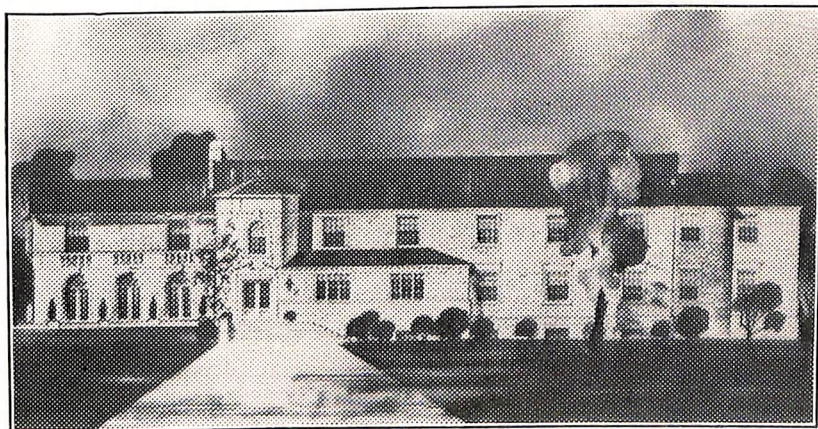
With the beginning of another school year in September, 1940, Shurtleff College expects to place in use for the first time a new Science and Administration building. Built to replace ninety-seven year old "Old Dorm", which was destroyed by fire January 14, 1939, the new building will house the classrooms and laboratories of the Physics and Chemistry Departments and will provide quarters for the administrative officers of the college.

The new structure, first to be erected on the campus in more than a decade, will be three stories high, of white stone, and of an architectural design which will harmonize with the present Women's Dormitory. It will occupy the site of "Old Dorm", and will be the focal point of the south campus.

# Men's Dormitory

As a second step in a long-range construction program, Shurtleff College is laying plans for the erection of a new Dormitory of Men, to fill the need created when Castle Hall was seriously damaged by fire within a year of the destruction of the old administration building.

The new building will be built on the north campus, facing the Dormitory for Women and placed at a similar angle. Like the new Science and Administration building, it will harmonize in architecture with the Dormitory for Women. The building will contain rooms for fifty boys, a lounge, and recreational facilities.





# Appreciation

The staff of the 1940 Retrospect wishes to express its appreciation to the faculty advisers, Miss Mary Kemper and Mr. Theodore Krohne. Both advisers have been especially busy this year in their academic work and their extra-curricular duties; yet they have given freely of their time all during the many months of preparation of the 1940 Retrospect. Without their invaluable assistance the book would not have been possible.

The staff wishes to thank the students of Shurtleff whose individual interest and cooperation have urged the staff members on to do their best.

Finally, and especially, the staff wishes to thank the merchants and business men of this vicinity whose advertising, shown on the following pages, has meant so much financially to the success of this book.

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# Calendar

## SEPTEMBER

- 11 . . . Registration Day.
- 12 . . . Entrance Exams!
- 13 . . . W. A. A. breakfast. Opening Assembly. Dorm party—treasure hunt.
- 14 . . . "S" Tribe picnic.
- 15 . . . All school mixer.
- 18 . . . President's Reception.
- 22 . . . W. A. A. tea.
- 18-22 . Freshman Week!
- 30 . . . Geology field trip. Eureka! Victory! Wow!

## OCTOBER

- 2 . . . Something new in chapel programs! A meat-cutting demonstration.
- 4 . . . What beautiful white-wash!
- 7 . . . McKendree bows, 12-6.
- 9 . . . Holiday—more fun!
- 12 . . . Sigma Tau Delta receives pledges.
- 13 . . . Friday—Burlington wins!
- 18 . . . The choir goes to Carbondale.
- 20 . . . Annual fall reception.
- 21 . . . Freshies enjoy a hayride.
- 27 . . . Moberly loses—we win!
- 28 . . . Hallowe'en Party.

## NOVEMBER

- 3 . . . "The Whole Town's Talking".
- 4 . . . Football victory over Principia. Parade. Orchids to Irma—our queen!
- 5 . . . Homecoming service at Baptist Church.
- 6 . . . Ho-hum! Back to classes.
- 15 . . . Sigma Zeta hears Miss Davies.
- 16 . . . Alpha Psi pledge service.
- 17 . . . Tennessee-Shurtleff, 20-7!
- 20 . . . Cyril Clemens speaks in assembly.
- 21 . . . "Dead End Gals" win Hockey tournament.
- 27 . . . Frank is dead! He was always a good horse!



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## DECEMBER

- 10 . . . The "Messiah".
- 13 . . . First basketball game. Victory over Concordia.
- 16 . . . All-school Christmas party.
- 19 . . . Language Club Christmas party. Girls' Dormitory Christmas party.
- 20 . . . Impressive Christmas Chapel service.
- 22 . . . Vacation begins.

## JANUARY

- 6 . . . Fire! Castle Hall burns.
- 8 . . . Vacation ends.
- 12 . . . Eureka loses.
- 16 . . . McKendree loses.
- 18 . . . First I. R. C. round table.
- 19 . . . Burlington does not lose.
- 24 . . . Exams begin.

## FEBRUARY

- 2 . . . Freshmen party.
- 3 . . . Debaters debate at Eastern State Teacher's College.
- 6 . . . Principia loses.
- 9 . . . Burlington does it again, 44-23.
- 12 . . . Heart Sister week begins.
- 13 . . . McKendree loses by a basket!
- 14 . . . Holiday—or was it?
- 16 . . . Eureka wins.
- 17 . . . A Cappella choir wins second place at Eistedfodd.
- 19 . . . "Children of God" reviewed in Assembly.
- 23 . . . Sophomores give all-school party.

## MARCH

- 1 . . . Shurtleff Play Night.
- 3 . . . "Romance of Rubber" by Radio Production Class.
- 5 . . . Primary Election.
- 6 . . . Surprise party for Professor Jessen.
- 7 . . . Monticello defeats girls at basketball.
- 8 . . . "S" Tribe party. Choir leaves for tour.
- 18 . . . Sophisticated fairy tale by Mrs. David Sparks.
- 19 . . . Sigma Zeta initiation.
- 22 . . . Spring Vacation.
- 26 . . . Back to classes.
- 28 . . . I. R. C. Round Table.
- 29 . . . Junior Prom!

## APRIL

- 1 . . . Retrospect goes to press.



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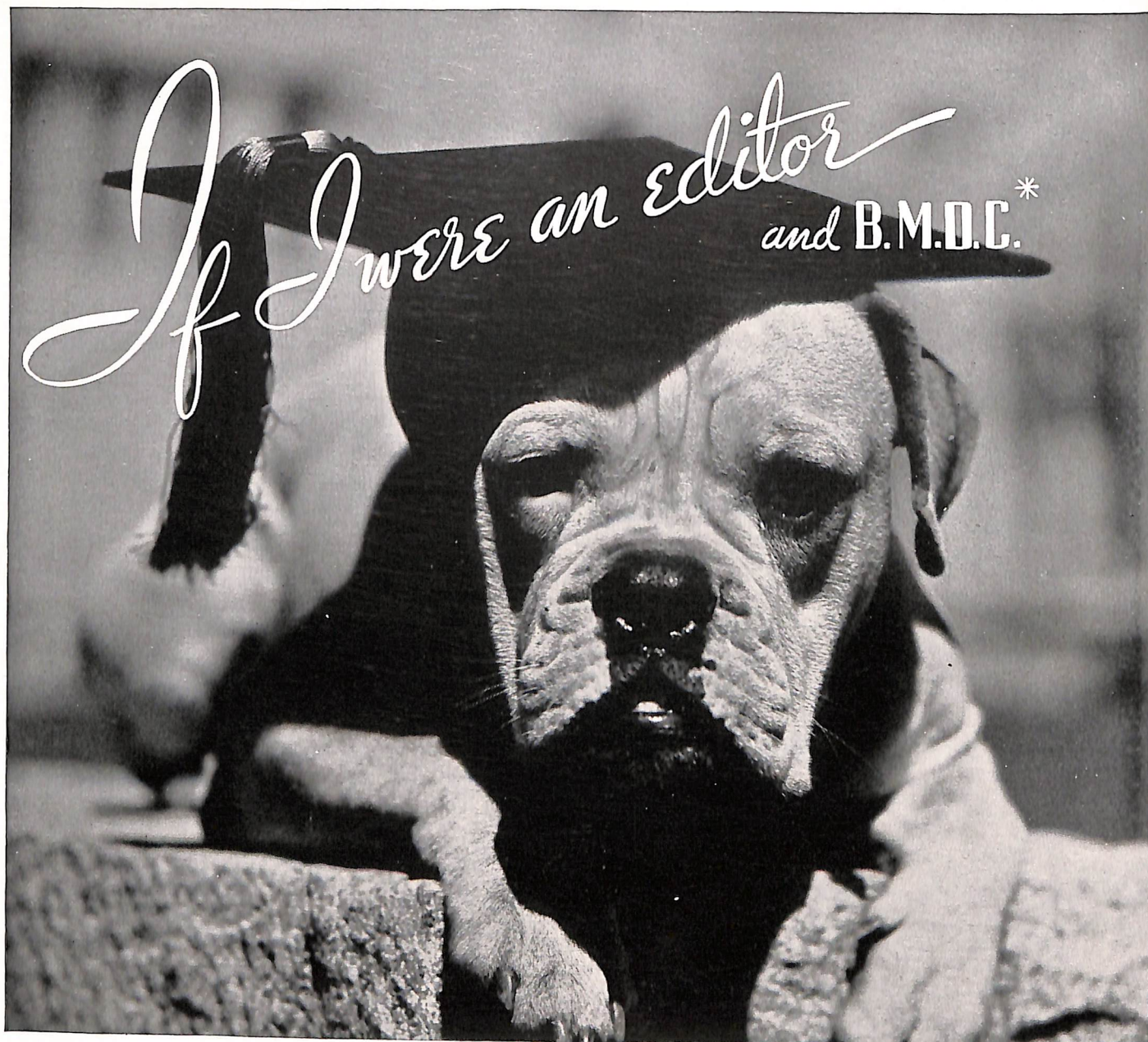
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